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Barcelona, December 24. *N. S.*

WE have an Account here of ſome Particulars, before the Relief of Cardona, relating to the Confederate Army; which inform us, that the ſaid Army had lain nine Weeks in the Camp of Pratz del Rey, very near to that of the Enemy, and had not, in all that time, received any Loſs or Diſadvantage on their part, notwithſtanding the Enemies Superiority in number; that when the Confederate Army firſt came thither, the Enemy made a ſhow of Attacking them, appearing within Musket-ſhot; but, upon better Conſideration, thought fit to retire to a greater Diſtance, from whence they continued to Cannonade our Army for five or ſix Days, before the Arrival of our heavy Artillery; after which, we fir'd upon them with good effect. Their next Enterprize was upon Pratz del Rey, which is a ſmall Town; but they had no better Succeſs; for though they made a Breach ſufficient for an hundred and fifty Men to march in a-breaſt, yet they did not think fit to attempt it: They ſprang three or four Mines to as little purpoſe, for they did not kill one ſingle Soldier: Afterwards they made a Detachment for Cardona, which was well provided for a Defence, and had in it a Garriſon of Two thouſand two hundred Men, that were very good Troops, and well Officer'd: The long cold Nights, and nipping Froſts and Rains coming on, both Armies were providing to ſecure themſelves by making Hutts, when the memorable Action of the Relief of Cardona happen'd upon the Twenty-fourth of December.

Dreſden, Jan. 8. *N. S.* Letters from Lemberg in Poland of the Twenty-ſecond paſt affirm, that the Poles and Walaches in the Intereſt of the King of Sueden, continue in their former Poſts along the River Neiſter, and their Commander Monſieur d'Urbanowitz was return'd thither from Bender, with a conſiderable Remittance in Mony, towards the Subſiſtence of thoſe Troops. That Monſieur d'Urbanowitz brought Advice, the King of Sueden had diſpatch'd Monſieur de Weynarowzki, a Colonel of the Coſſacks, for Conſtantinople, and that his Swediſh Majeſty waited only the return of that Officer, when it was reported, the foremention'd Body of Walaches would march hither. The ſame Letters add, that the Muſcovite Troops were Daily retiring out of Poland, and the Infantry had taken the Rout to Kiovia on the Nieper, and the Dragoons that of Nimierow. They write from Warſaw of the twenty-fifth of December, that the Crown General having by his Circular Letter requir'd the Attendance of the proper Repreſentatives of the ſeveral Palatinates and Diſtricts of Poland, at the Treaſury Tribunal, which is to be held the Thirtieth of January at Radom in the Palatinate of Sendomir, towards Payment of the Army of that Republick during the Winter. On that Occaſion one of the Nuncio's Delegates had publiſh'd a Brief in Behalf of the Pope, that all Church Lands ſhould be exempt from that Contribution, with the Penalty of Excommunication upon all who ſhould act againſt it; but the Commiſſioners appointed for Regulating the Winter-Quarters, had ſo little regard to the Brief, that they had declar'd not only the Lands dedicated to the Church, but even the Demeſnes of the Crown to be liable in common with other Eſtates, towards defraying of thoſe Charges. From the Saxon Camp before Stralſund of the Second Inſtant, we are inform'd, that the King of Denmark was to ſet out for Kolding in Jutland; and that on the Fourth his Majeſty of Poland was to begin his Journey back to Dreſden, where he is expected as this Night.

Falmouth, January 17. On the Fourteenth came in here to load Pilchards for the Streights, the Duke of Britain, of and from London. Yeſterday came in from Cruiſing the George-Gally Privateer of Jerſey, who took a French Gally of twelve Guns bound for Cadiz, and was taken from him again by four large French Privateers. Came in alſo the St. Auſtin of and from Bilboa, with Wool and Iron for London.

Deal, January 20. Here are Her Majeſty's Ships the Briſtol, Port Mahone, and Lyon Hoy. Outward-bound the Kent and Recovery for the Eaſt-Indies, the Crown Brigantine for Leghorne, and the Providence for Portſmouth.

There are Three Mails due from Holland.

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